GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

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EXODUS OF SKILLED AND SEMI SKILLED WORKERS .
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the mass exodus of skilled and semi-skilled workers from Gujarat and Orissa;

(b) whether the government have a proposal to formulate a rehabilitation and incentive plan for the migrant labour force in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a): The State Governments of Orissa and Gujarat have reported that there is no mass exodus of skilled and semi-skilled workers from their States.

(b) & (c): No, Sir. However, to safeguard the interests of the inter-state migrant workers, the Government has enacted the Inter-State Migrant Workmen (RECS) Act, 1979 which aims at protecting the interests of such migrant workers.